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LATVIAN SSR EXPANDS ROAD NETWORK -- Moscow, Trud, 19 Dec 51

There are over 8,000 kilometers of roads in the Latvian SSR, some of them nearly 200 kilometers long. Five years ago, the republic had only 12 bus lines totaling 1,000 kilometers. Today, taxi service is provided in 15 cities of the republic. Fifty-six, rayons of the republic have direct connection with Riga, and motor busses travel to all large cities of Latvia,

The Main Administration of Motor Transport of the Council of Ministers Latvian SSR has just received new ZIS-155 motor busses for use on its routes.

KAZAKH SSR INCREASES MOTOR SERVICE 70 PERCENT IN 1951 -- Alma-Ata, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, 13 Jan 52

Motor transport in the Kazakh SSR was expanded in 1951. Passenger service was established in many isolated regions and over-all service was increased 70 percent.

Further expansion is contemplated in 1952. A motor repair plant at Karaganda will work at full capacity, a repair shop will be built at Pavlodar, construction of the motor plant at Alma-Ata will continue, and the construction of the repair shops at Taldy-Kurga, Akmorinsk, and Kzyl-Orda will be completed.

HIGHWAY BRIDGE AT KRASNOARMEYSK ACROSS VOLGA-DON CANAL -- Moscow, Pravde, 24 Feb 52

The Krasnoarmeysk bridge across the Volga-Don Canal is one of the most modern bridges in the Soviet Union. The bridge, an extension of the city's main highway, unites the rayons of Krasnoarmeysk which are divided by the canal. The bridge will be used by automobile and trolley traffic.

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OPEN NEW BUS LINES -- Moscow, Pravda, 10 Feb 52

Kiev has regular bus communications with Zhitomir, Chernigov, Proskurov, Uman' and other oblast and rayon centers in the Ukrainian SSR. In 1952, comfortable and spacious busses will be used over new lines which will unite Kiev with seven other oblast centers, namely: L'vov, Kirovograd, Vinnitsa, Khar'kov, Poltava, Odessa, and Lutsk.

At present, 124 routes unite the oblast cities and rayon centers. Also. buses are used in the region of the Kakhovka hydroelectric construction projects.

In 1952, passenger traffic in the Ukrainian SSR will increase approximately 40 percent. Much attention is being paid to the organization of a regular bus service between the remote rayon centers. In 1952, eighty new intraoblast and 20 interoblast routes will be opened.

Minsk, Sovetskaya Belorussiya, 16 Feb 52

In 1952, two new bus lines will be opened, one of which will connect Mozyr' and Gomel.

Baku, Bakinskiy Rabochiy, 22 Feb 52

The Ministry of Motor Transport Azerbaydzhan SSR has opened regular bus service between Baku and Kirovabad. GAZ-651 busses used on the new line will make stops at Marazy, Shemakha, Akhsu, Geokchay, Agdash, Khaldan, and Geran'.

Kiev, Pravda Ukrainy, 21 Mar 52

Bus lines now connect Stalino with other parts of the Donets Basin. ZIS-155 busses are used over the routes connecting Stalino with Gorlovka, Artemovak, Kramatorsk, Slavyansk, Chistyakovo, and other cities.

In 1952, new direct routes will be opened from Stalino to Khar'kov, Voroshilovgrad, Rostov-on-Don, and Zhdanov.

MOTOR BASE SET UP NEAR TURKMEN CANAL PROJECT -- Moscow, Rechnoy Transport, 18 Dec 51

A large motor-vericle base has been set up on the left bank of the Amu-Dar'ya for work on the Main Turkmen Canal construction project. The base is being equipped with repair shops, warehouses, and housing. The base has 800 vehicles.

LAYOVER TIME EXCEEDS NORMS -- Kiev, Pravda Ukrainy, 13 Feb 52

Despite the fact that the Stalinugol' Combine's motor terminal hauled 887,000 tons of different types of freight in 1951, layover time during loading and unloading exceeded the established norm 2-3 times. Also, there is considerable layover time during and awaiting repairs, mainly because of the shortage of experienced mechanics and also because of the inability of the Avtotraktorosbyt (Administration for Automobile and Tractor Sales) to supply urgently needed parts.

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Numerous empty runs constitute another serious problem for the combine's motor pools.

MOTOR TRANSPORT HAMPERED BY LACK OF BRIDGE ACROSS VOLGA AT SARATOV -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 9 Jan 52

The construction of an automobile bridge across the Volga in Saratov Oblast (from Saratov to Engel's) between the Stalingrad and Kuybyshev construction projects would relieve the increased demands made on transport facilities in this region. At present there is a railroad bridge and a ferry between these two points, but the ferry is unreliable. Motor transport must cross the river on ice in the winter, while, during the spring and fall, motor communications between Saratov and Engel's are at a standstill.

RELIEVE BELORUSSIAN MOTOR OFFICIAL FROM DUTTES -- Minsk, Sovetskaya Belorussiya, 15 Jan 52

The Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR relieved D. I. Gorin from his duties as Deputy Minister of Motor Transport Belorussian SSR.

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